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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE
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INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK
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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 0535

BANGKOK FOR RSO & TSO

HONG KONG FOR RSS

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJECT: SECURITY POSTURE - VIENTIANE

REF VIENTIANE 0349

1. RSO WILLIAMS ARR POST 15 MAR 77. SA FUSILIER DEPARTED POST 16 MAR
FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES. WILL RECEIVE TREATMENT IN BANGKOK FOR CONTUSION
SUFFERED TO RIGHT KNEE. RSO BECKNER WILL DEPART POST 17 MAR. SA RANKIN

WILL DEPART POST UPON ARRIVAL OF NEW PCS RSOS. MSGT QUINTANA WILL
DEPART POST ON 22 MAR 77.

2. RSO BECKNER HAS BRIEFED RSO WILLIAMS ON NEW SECURITY PROCEDURES
AT POST AS OUTLINED REFTTEL. AS MANY OF THE PROBLEMS OF THIS SYSTEM AS
POSSIBLE HAVE BEEN IRONED OUT. ONE OF THE PROBLEMS OF MOST IMMEDIATE
CONCERN IN THE EYES OF RSO BECKNER IS THE SCHEDULING OF WORKING HOURS
FOR NEW RSOS. IF POST DESIRES TO USE RSOS IN ANY OTHER CAPACITY THAN
WATCHSTANDERS THEN A SYSTEM WHEREBY OTHER POST PERSONNEL SUBSTITUTE
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AS WATCHSTANDERS MUST BE CONSIDERED. (THIS WOULD HAVE TO BE THE CASE
IN THE EVENT OF ILLNESS OR LEAVE BY ONE OF THE RSOS ANYWAY). SINCE
THE WORKLOAD OF THE REMAINING 8 MEMBERS OF THE EMBASSY WILL KEEP THEM
FULLY OCCUPIED RSO SEES SUBSTITUTION OF OTHER STAFF AS OF LITTLE REAL
POSSIBLITY. A SECOND POSSIBILITY AND ONE WHICH I, AS A PROFESSIONAL
SECURITY OFFICER HESITATE TO TENDER FOR CONSIDERATION, IS THAT TSO
BANGKOK INSTALL AN ALARM SYSTEM IN THE BUILDING AND ALLOW THE PERSON

ON SECURITY DUTY AFTER NORMAL WORKING HOURS TO SLEEP WHILE ON POST.
THIS WOULD ALLEVIATE THE STRAIN ON SECURITY PERSONNEL AND WOULD ALLOW
THEM TO WORK ON ASSIGNED COLLATERAL DUTIES DURING THE DAY.

3. RSO STRONGLY ADVISES THAT RSS VISIT POST (AFTER APPROVAL OF CHARGE
FOR TDY VISIT) AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE TO PERSONALLY
ASSESS THE SECURITY SITUATION AND THROUGH HIS EXPERTISE
RESOLVE ANY REMAINING PROBLEMS. RSO BECKNER IS SATISFIED THAT THE
SECURITY SITUATION AT POST IS BEING LEFT IN THE VERY COMPETENT AND
CAPABLE HANDS OF RSO WILLIAMS.

4. FOREGOING CLEARED WITH SWEDENBURG WHO CONCURS.
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